

The people of Taiwan have every reason to be proud of what they have achieved. In only 12 years Taiwan has made a peaceful and successful transition to democracy and has become one of Asia's most impressive and inspiring new democracies. In those 12 years Taiwan has completed four Presidential elections with close and spirited campaigns.

As an American legislator, I look on the achievements of the people of Taiwan with admiration. The Taiwanese record is a model to the many other countries of the world of what can be accomplished by a transition to a freely elected democratic government. My sincere congratulations to Dr. Ma on his election and to the people of Taiwan for their participation in the election process.

IN MEMORY OF JUDGE FRED
ZIEMAN

HON. MIKE ROSS

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 31, 2008

Mr. ROSS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of my dear friend, Chicot County Judge Fred Ziemer of Lake Village, Arkansas, who passed away March 18, 2008, at the age of 69.

I will forever remember Judge Ziemer as a devoted family man and someone who cared deeply about improving the quality of life in southeast Arkansas. This dedication to make his community and Chicot County a better place to live was evident throughout his tenure as Chicot County Judge.

As a native son of Arkansas's Delta region, farming was in Judge Ziemer's blood. He began his career as an agriculture pilot in Lake Village before becoming a commercial airline pilot in Texas. Upon retirement in 1980, he returned home to Lake Village and pursued his true passion in agriculture.

Judge Ziemer was later successfully elected to serve three terms as Chicot County Judge when he decided to try retirement for a second time. However, his devotion to southeast Arkansas quickly led him back to public service, and 4 years later he was again elected to serve as County Judge—a position he honorably held until his passing.

Aside from his stalwart leadership and devotion to Chicot County, Judge Ziemer actively contributed his time and hard work to numerous other endeavors to benefit the Delta region. The Delta was immensely important to Judge Ziemer, and this was apparent in his service as a state vice-president of the Mississippi Valley Flood Control Association, as a member of the Delta Grassroots Caucus, and in the Southeast Arkansas Economic Development District Inc., where he contributed fresh ideas and developed new initiatives to make our beloved State a better place to live.

Judge Fred Ziemer will forever be remembered for his steadfast devotion to the people of southeast Arkansas. Above all, he will sorely be missed as a friend. I extend my deepest condolences to his wife, Patricia Ziemer; his two sons, Mike Ziemer of Monticello, Arkansas, and Sam Ziemer of Spring, Texas; his daughter, Charlotte Yandell of Spring, Texas; his sister, Jan Hellmers of Lake Village, Arkansas; and to his seven grandchildren and countless friends. Fred Ziemer will be greatly

missed in Lake Village, Chicot County, and throughout southeast Arkansas, and I am truly saddened by this loss.

IN RECOGNITION OF MRS. KATHY
JO MCMILLION REINSMITH

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 31, 2008

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments and dedication of the current President of the Department of Pennsylvania's Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mrs. Kathy Jo McMillion Reinsmith. Mrs. Reinsmith will be recognized for her service at the Veterans of Foreign Wars' Testimonial Dinner on April 12.

Over the past decade Kathy Reinsmith has worked consistently to increase the value of the community in which she has lived. Not only has Mrs. Reinsmith served four terms as President, four terms as Sr. Vice President, and one term as Jr. Vice President of her Auxiliary, she is now serving her second year as Trustee. As President of the Department of Pennsylvania's Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mrs. Reinsmith has made it her mission to travel throughout the State of Pennsylvania and the United States, inspecting auxiliaries and attending a variety of functions in order to reach out to those around her. She has dedicated her time and energy not only to helping veterans in need, but also to students at Chambersburg High School where she has constantly served as a teacher. Currently, Mrs. Reinsmith serves as a Life Member for both the Durff-Kuhn VFW Ladies Auxiliary and the Scotland School for Veterans Children and the VFW National Home for Children. Her commitment to her community has been exhibited through her involvement with several organizations, many of which she has chaired, including the Voice of Democracy, Buddy Poppy Jr. Girls, and the Patriots Pen Program.

Through these prominent positions Mrs. Reinsmith has volunteered much of her time to fundraising for the local community. One of her most memorable accomplishments is her dedication to the Food Stand at the Shippensburg Community Fair. She spent a multitude of hours working with those in the community to make the Fair a positive experience for all. Mrs. Reinsmith's passion and hard work have not gone unnoticed. During her first term as District 18 President in 1999, she received the Outstanding District President Medallion. While serving her second term as President of District 18, she received the Nation "Remembrance" Plate for the Legislative Program as well as the Outstanding Department Chairman Medallion. Mrs. Reinsmith was also recognized for her service to the community and was given the National "Everyone Achieves Magic" Plate.

As she reflects upon her work as President of the Ladies Auxiliary, Mrs. Reinsmith can be proud of her life of service with which she has found a great amount of success. I look forward to celebrating the contributions and accomplishments of such a dedicated individual. Her involvement has brought a greater appreciation to our area and has surely been an asset to the community. I would like to wish

Mrs. Kathy Jo Reinsmith all the best in her future endeavors as she continues to serve the Chambersburg County School District as a devoted teacher. I am sure she will continue to do great things for the community and I thank her for her dedication and service.

TAYLORSVILLE VFW AUXILIARY
AND TAYLOR KING SUPPORT DE-
PLOYED TROOPS

HON. VIRGINIA FOXX

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 31, 2008

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of a group of true American patriots. This past Christmas a group of citizens in Alexander County, North Carolina worked hard to communicate to our men and women stationed overseas that they are in our prayers and on our minds.

A civic-minded band of women in the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary from the rural community of Hiddenite worked together to rally their community to send care packages to local armed forces members stationed abroad during Christmas. The sacrifice of military service during Christmas is often overlooked during a time when many of our brave military men and women are stationed abroad, making this effort all the more meaningful to the soldiers they aided.

Thanks to the selfless work of Margaret Milsap, Mary Lasky and Jeanette Stevenson, which was spearheaded by Mary Matthews, more than 80 care packages were sent to 30 deployed soldiers during this past Christmas. Taylor King furniture, a Taylorsville business, generously footed the entire bill for the mailing of the 80-plus packages.

Together, the VFW auxiliary and Taylor King provided a slice of home to 30 soldiers serving in foreign countries during Christmas. I hope their example of citizenship and patriotism during uncertain times serves to inspire many more Americans to show their support for our troops who fight for freedom every day.

RECOGNITION OF GLOBAL CHILD
NUTRITION MONTH

HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 31, 2008

Mr. MCGOVERN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the School Nutrition Association, SNA, and the Global Child Nutrition Foundation, GCNF naming April as Global Child Nutrition Month.

As part of this recognition, school nutrition professionals are encouraged to take 1 day, 1 week, or all month to partner with students and teachers in an effort to raise awareness about the ravages of hunger among children around the globe and here in the United States.

Hunger is a political condition. We have the means to end hunger here in the U.S. and around the world—we just haven't mustered the political will to do so. This observance is an opportunity to raise awareness about the solutions to global hunger and poverty and, ultimately, to help build momentum in the fight to end the scourge of hunger.

At any given moment, as many as 300 million of the world's children are trapped in the grinding cycle of poverty and hunger. Imagine trying to learn, grow and succeed while struggling with hunger.

For some children, hunger may be offset by healthy school meals. For others, especially in developing nations, hunger is acute—it is literal starvation. It is a contributor to disease and early death. According to the United Nations, hunger and malnutrition take the lives of 18,000 kids every single day.

Although we may not be able to resolve all sorts of natural and political forces, we do know that nurturing and educating a child is the single most effective means of breaking the cycle of poverty.

According to the World Food Program, 130 million children do not attend school; and among those who do, most do not receive meals during school hours. A hungry child cannot learn or thrive; a society whose children live in hunger will never prosper.

The Global Child Nutrition Foundation was created in 2006 with the mission of expanding opportunities for the world's children to receive adequate nutrition for learning and achieving their potential.

This observance is also an opportunity to raise awareness about the solutions to global hunger and poverty.

GCNF President and SNA Past President Gene White, a certified school nutrition specialist, said it best—"By combining our will and resources, hunger will no longer set boundaries for learning and achievement. Freeing children from hunger so they may become self-supporting, contributing citizens is a worthy endeavor. It is also a step toward building a more stable and peaceful world."

Madam Speaker, as someone who is committed to ending hunger once and for all, I thank and commend the School Nutrition Association and the Global Child Nutrition Foundation for naming April as Global Child Nutrition Month.

It is my hope that all of us can work to be part of the solution as we raise awareness in eradicating hunger.

WOMEN'S HISTORY STATEMENT 2008

HON. JOHN P. SARBANES

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 31, 2008

Mr. SARBANES. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Women's History Month. Though we have designated March as the particular month for this celebration, every day could rightly be designated to honor the contributions of women to our society. On this occasion I would like to highlight the achievements of two women who through their work have deeply impacted Maryland's Third District and our State as a whole.

Just this past year Karen Rothenberg, Dean of the University of Maryland Law School, was inducted into the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame. The Maryland Women's Hall of Fame was established through the efforts of the Maryland Commission for Women and the Women Legislators of Maryland in 1985. Its purpose is to honor Maryland women who have made unique and lasting contributions to

the economic, political, cultural and social life of the State, and to provide visible models of achievement for tomorrow's female leaders.

This year, Dean Rothenberg is being honored by the Daily Record as Maryland's Top 100 Women. Dean Rothenberg has demonstrated leadership and scholarship in her role at the University of Maryland Law School, and in her field. She graduated as part of the first class of women at Princeton University. She has served as a member of the Institute of Medicine's Committee on Legal and Ethical Issues Relating to the Inclusion of Women in Clinical Studies, on numerous NIH panels on prenatal care, the recruitment and retention of women in clinical studies, and the ethical, legal and social implications of genetics. I have had the privilege to work with Dean Rothenberg this year on an effort to bring more lawyers into public service. This is an area in which she has been recognized on numerous occasions for her efforts. She has established loan repayment programs, grant opportunities and scholarships for law school graduates that wish to pursue careers in public service, and they in turn have enriched our community. She has worked with students to provide volunteer relief in New Orleans, and has facilitated opportunities for students to pursue public interest studies abroad. This is only the tip of the iceberg.

In addition to having been the first woman elected to serve as Mayor of Baltimore City, Sheila Dixon has spent more than 20 years in public office, dedicating her career to improving the lives of women, children and minorities. She has worked tirelessly on public health issues, and brings a wealth of experience and insight into business development in the city.

Among her numerous awards and honors, Mayor Dixon was recently admitted to the Daily Record's Circle of Excellence for her third selection as one of "Maryland's Top 100 Women." She serves on numerous boards, including the Institute of Human Virology, the Transplant Resource Center, the Urban Health Initiative, the Baltimore Public Markets Corporation, the Living Classrooms Foundation, and the Walters Art Gallery.

This year Mayor Dixon launched the YouthWorks campaign, which brings together businesses, community organizations, foundations and city and State agencies in an effort to engage Baltimore youth in meaningful summer activities. She is strongly committed to accomplishing the goal of ensuring that any Baltimore youth who wants a summer job can have one. This program will not only benefit youth by providing valuable work experience, it will also provide businesses with talented and motivated workers.

Though I have not had the privilege of working with all of the following women, I would also like to take this opportunity to highlight Maryland's Top 100 Women for 2008 as honored by the Daily Record:

Judge Theresa M. Adams, Circuit Court for Frederick County; Dr. Susan C. Aldridge, University of Maryland University College; Dr. Janet D. Allan, University of Maryland School of Nursing; Dr. Sharon D. Allison-Otley, The COSHAR Foundation; Judge Nancy V. Alquist, United States Bankruptcy Court; Rev. Dr. China M. Ashe, Hope Ministries; Judge Vicki Ballou-Watts, Circuit Court for Baltimore County; Lisa R. Bands, My Cleaning Service, Inc.; Judge Mary Ellen Barbera, Court of Special

Appeals of Maryland; Traci A. Barnett, Girl Scouts of Central Maryland; Buffy Beaudoin-Schwartz, Association of Baltimore Area Grantmakers; Cathy S. Bernard, CSB Management Corporation; Dr. Meredith Bond, University of Maryland Baltimore School of Medicine; Annie L. Burton-Byrd, The Signature Group, LLC; Ellen A. Callegary, Callegary & Steedman, PA; Wanda G. Caporaletti, Law Office of Wanda G. Caporaletti; Diane Lillibridge Caslow, MedStar Health; Marie A. Cavallaro, Cavallaro Cleary Visual Art Foundation; Rev. Mary W. Conaway, Register of Wills for Baltimore City; Patricia E. Cornish, PEC Financial Consulting; Dr. P. Ann Cotten, University of Baltimore Schaefer Center for Public Policy.

Diane D'Aiutolo Collins, Tydings & Rosenberg, LLP; Janine M. DiPaula Stevens, Vircity; Anna M. Dopkin, T. Rowe Price Associates; Councilmember Valerie Ervin, Montgomery County Council; Carolyn Wilson Evans, Sengstacke & Evans, LLC; Margaret (Meg) Z. Ferguson, Baltimore County Executive Office; Jodi Finkelstein, Domestic Violence Center of Howard County; Ellen R. Fish, Towson Community Bank, a div. of AmericasBANK; Mary Ellen Flynn, Andalkan & Flynn, PC; Taylor L. Foss, LifeBridge Health; Commissioner Jan H. Gardner, Frederick County Government; Sandra N. Harriman, University of Maryland School of Medicine; Carrie Harris-Muller, Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of the Mid-Atlantic States, Inc.

Dr. Elizabeth A. Hunt, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine; Sara T. Jacoby, The Legacy Group, Inc.; Deborah E. Jennings, DLA Piper U.S., LLP; Senator Verna L. Jones, State of Maryland; Leronia A. Josey, Law Office of Leronia Josey; Pamela J. King, Open Society Institute-Baltimore; Julie Lenzer Kirk, Path Forward International; Marcy K. Kolodny, Dyslexia Tutoring Program; Treasurer Nancy K. Kopp, State of Maryland; Jennifer Kozak, J Kozak Creative; Senator Rona E. Kramer, State of Maryland; Judge Sherrie L. Krauser, Circuit Court for Prince George's County; Dr. Martha Joynt Kumar, Towson University.

Judge Theresa A. Lawler, Orphan's Court for Baltimore County; Linda Thater Layton, Attorney at Law; Cynthia L. Leppert, Neuberger, Quinn, Gielen, Rubin & Gibber, PA; Eileen M. Levitt, The HR Team, Inc.; Dr. Leslie D. Mancuso, JHPIEGO; Sister Patricia McCarron, SSND, Notre Dame Preparatory School; Annette Merz, LENPEX, LLC; Bonnae J. Meshulam, Junior Achievement of Central Maryland, Inc.; Dr. Redonda G. Miller, Johns Hopkins Hospital and School of Medicine; Elise Davison Morris, Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP; Paula T. Morris, Kids of Honor; Nhora Barrera Murphy, The Media Network; Alice Neily Mutch, Capital Consultants, BaySmart Gardening, LLC.

Myra W. Norton, Community Analytics; Sylvia Ontaneda-Bernales, Ober Kaler Grimes & Shriver; Beth Pepper, Law Firm of Beth Pepper; Trudy E. Perkins, Office of U.S. Representative Elijah E. Cummings; Beth S. Perlman, Constellation Energy; Liz Pettengill, Greater Baltimore Committee; Bonnie Lamdin Phipps, St. Agnes HealthCare; Barbara Portnoy, PLDA Interiors; Randi Alper Pupkin, Art with a Heart, Inc.; Stephanie L. Reel, Johns Hopkins University and Johns Hopkins Health System; Dr. Donna L. Reihl, The Community College of Baltimore County; Juliette Rizzo, U.S. Department of Education; Dr. Marcella L. Roenneburg, Mercy Medical Center.